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1. FOLLOWING ITEM APPEARED IN ARAB NEWS WITH MARCH 25
RIYADH DATELINE. BEGIN QUOTE. SAUDI ARABIA REGRETS PRESS
STANCE ON AIR. SAUDI ARABIA HAS CRITICIZED MISINFORMATION
AND ERRONEOUS REPORTS IN NEWSPAPERS OF THE CONFRONTATION
STATES (ARAB STATES FACING ISRAEL) ABOUT AID FROM THE OIL-
RICH ARAB STATES TO THEIR COUNTRIES. ITEM ALSO GIVEN RADIO
DISSEMINATION.

AN OFFICIAL SOURCE, QUOTED BY THE SAUDI PRESS AGENCY,
SAID SAUDI ARABIA HOPED THAT THE NEWSPAPERS WERE NOT
REFLECTING THE OPINION OF OFFICIALS OF THOSE COUNTRIES.

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IN HIS STATEMENT, THE SOURCE SAID, "THERE HAS BEEN IN-
CREASED TALK RECENTLY ABOUT THE ATTITUDES OF THE GULF
ARAB STATES AND THEIR ASSISTANCE TO THE CONFRONTATION
STATES.

THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA REGRETS SUCH ERRONEOUS RE-

PORTS AND HOPES THAT WHAT IS PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS DOES NOT REFLECT THE OPINIONS OF OFFICIALS IN THE CONFRONTATION STATES, WHO REALIZE THE NATURE OF THE SUPPORT GIVEN BY SAUDI ARABIA, A COUNTRY THAT HAS NEVER SPARED ANY KIND OF AID OR ASSISTANCE AND WHOSE SONS HAVE SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES IN CARRYING OUT THEIR DUTY.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA FEELS THAT THE REPETITION OF SUCH STATEMENTS WILL BE A DISSERVICE TO THE ARAB NATION AND WILL ONLY BENEFIT ITS ENEMIES IN ADDITION TO INFLUENCING THE UNITY AND SOLIDARITY OF THE ARAB STATES AND ITS PURSUANCE OF MORE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE GOOD OF ITS PEOPLES AND NATION." (THE SAUDI STATEMENT WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN PROMPTED BY SYRIAN AND JORDANIAN NEWSPAPER COMMENTS IN RECENT WEEKS). END QUOTE.

2. PRESS ITEM APPEARED FOLLOWING MEETING OF EGYPTIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FOR FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, DR. ABDUL MUN'EM AL QAISOUMI, WITH SAG FINANCE MINISTER WHICH MAY HAVE RESULTED IN ADDITIONAL GULF STATES AID FOR EGYPT.
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